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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[[The]] An ancillary tool according to the invention comprises a handle and method for manipulating and implanting [[an]] a prosthetic acetabulum including a tool provided, [[in its]] adjacent a distal part, with a head for interacting with an endpiece that is used for gripping the acetabulum and, in its proximal part, with a surface for application of a force of impaction along the handle. The tool further comprises at least one added endpiece is preferably adapted to be removably connected to the distal end of the handle. [[This]] The endpiece defines both a includes an elastically deformable ring having an outer face for wedging expanding radially outwardly to initially grip the acetabulum and an opposite face for interaction of the endpiece with the head of the handle, these faces both being borne by a radially deformable supple ring such that upon a force being applied to drive the head into a cavity of the endpiece, the ring is radially expanded to expand the acetabulum in place after which the ring elastically returns to its original shape as the head is removed from the cavity.

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The invention is particularly applicable to the positioning of an acetabular prosthesis in an anatomical or prosthetic cavity of a patient's hip.